

72453 to 72570—Continued.

72517. RHODODENDRON sp.

No. 6832. A creeping plant with scarlet flowers, forming fair-sized mats on rocks and steep talus slopes in very exposed situations, at an altitude of 11,000 feet.

72518. RHODODENDRON sp.

No. 6833. A bold tree 30 to 40 feet high, growing at altitudes between 10,000 and 11,000 feet in Abies forest, becoming more compact and smaller on open slopes. It is easily recognized by its irregularly angular branching and smooth shining tawny trunks, with peery bark hanging in tatters from the under surface when horizontal. The flowers are pink, with five purple pit glands at the base and beadlike strings of darker spots.

72519. RHODODENDRON sp.

No. 6834. A rather small thin sparingly branched shrub scattered on steep sheltered rocky faces in dense rhododendron scrub, at an altitude of 11,000 feet. The branches are virgate, the leaves smoke gray, and the bright rose-purple flowers are in nodding trusses.

72520. RHODODENDRON sp.

No. 6848. A small epiphytic undershrub growing at altitudes between 9,000 and 10,000 feet. The loose trusses contain three to five glistening pale-yellow flowers through which shines a delicate network of veins.

72521. RHODODENDRON sp.

No. 6854. A medium-sized bushy shrub growing in thickets on steep faces, on the sheltered side of the valley, at an altitude of 10,000 feet. The trunk is ascending and rarely erect. The flowers are in nodding trusses of about five, the light-orange corolla rimmed and streaked with brick red giving a general effect of tawny orange.

72522. RHODODENDRON sp.

No. 6855. A small tree with horizontal-ascending trunk, branching freely above and bearing large leaves at the ends of shoots which are shaggy with the persistent bud scales of several years. It grows at an altitude of 10,000 feet, only in the tanglewood of precipitous broken rock faces, where water drips continuously and everything is moss bound. The bright-red foliage bud scales are very striking when the leaves are breaking in June.

72523. RHODODENDRON sp.

No. 6856. A slim tree scattered here and there on steep forested slopes with No. 6818 [No. 72514], in half tanglewood and half Abies and rhododendron forests, at an altitude of 10,000 feet. The flowers, in large trusses, are pinkish purple splashed with dusky purple at the base.

72524. RHODODENDRON sp.

No. 6868. A stout tangled bush forming dense thickets on exposed alpine slopes from the upper limit of Abies forest upward, at altitudes between 11,000 and 12,000 feet. The leaves are rounded and glaucous, and the flowers are a delicate shade of sulphur, usually brick red in bud, ultimately retaining only a bright crimson-purple flash at the base.

72525. RHODODENDRON sp.

No. 6869. A shrub 3 to 5 feet high, with usually an ascending habit, growing in dense thickets on precipitous alpine slopes, at altitudes between 11,000 and 12,000 feet. The leaves are leathery and not glaucous, and the flowers, four to six in a truss, are pure white with five small crimson honey spots at the base. Sometimes the corolla is finely peppered with crimson or purple spots.

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72526. RHODODENDRON sp.

No. 6903. A small bushy undershrub, forming tufts on the steep scrub-clad slopes, at altitudes between 11,000 and 12,000 feet. The leaves are pale green above, and the flowers are bright purple with darker spots.

72527. RHODODENDRON sp.

No. 6923. *Cherry brandy*. A stout thick-set bush 8 to 10 feet high, growing at an altitude of 11,000 feet on the sheltered side of the valley, in thickets or on the edge of the Abies forest, but not inside where the Falconeri rhododendron is found. The buds are carmine, and the corolla is creamy white with a broad cherry-red band around the summit, including the lobes, and at the base there are five dusky purple pit glands. Sometimes the flowers are cherry red all through. There are six flowers in a truss.

72528. RHODODENDRON sp.

No. 6924. A small bushy undershrub 1 to 3 feet high, growing on steep sheltered slopes, in the general rhododendron shrub, at altitudes between 11,000 and 12,000 feet. The flowers are in loose corymbose trusses of six or eight, rather small, and plum purple with darker spots. They are very showy only when the sunlight shines through the flowers, when they glow a deep wine red.

72529. RHODODENDRON sp.

No. 6930. A bush 6 feet high growing in the dips of alpine turf slopes at altitudes between 12,000 and 13,000 feet. The flowers are bright sulphur yellow with a purple flash at the base. They are larger and darker than No. 6868 [No. 72524], and the leaves are not so rounded.

72530. RHODODENDRON sp.

No. 6953. A shrub 10 to 12 feet high, with an ascending trunk, forming thickets on steep sheltered slopes at an altitude of 12,000 feet. The flowers in large tight trusses are white or pink with a flash of crimson at the base.

72531. RHODODENDRON sp.

No. 6954. A small gnarled shrub with interlacing knobby branches, forming tanglements 2 or 3 feet deep on broken sheltered slopes at an altitude of 12,000 feet. The flowers are white with an extensive pattern of crimson spots on the upper half.

72532. RHODODENDRON sp.

No. 6955. *Scarlet letter*. A plant forming wide flat tanglements, not 2 feet deep, and paved with the rosetted leaves, on steep broken sheltered faces, at an altitude of 12,000 feet. The flowers, in large trusses, are of the most glowing scarlet.

72533. RHODODENDRON sp.

No. 6960. A twiggy undershrub, forming stout 1-foot brooms, growing socially or mixed with other species among gneiss boulders on broken slopes, or on steep alpine moorland slopes, at altitudes between 12,000 and 13,000 feet. The leaves are a beautiful bronze below, with silver scales above, and the fragrant flowers are violet with purple styles.

72534. RHODODENDRON sp.

No. 6961. *Pink baby*. A minute tufted undershrub, about 3 inches high, carrying solitary or paired flowers of a delicate shell pink, hoisted above crowded leaves on long crimson stalks, and when in fruit these exceed 2 inches. This plant is found on steep rather bare gravelly chutes, limestone or gneiss, at an altitude of 12,000 feet.